[Mr. N. Ramakrishna Pillai.]

Non-caste Hindus.—1 on Rs. 15, 14 on Rs. 14 each, 2 on Rs. 9 each and 1 on Rs. 8.

Lands Registered to Members of Depressed Classes in Agastisvaram.

267. MR. PAUL V. DANIEL (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state the total area of lands registered in the names of members of the depressed classes in the Agastisvaram taluk during the first four months of 1099?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Ten cents.

MR. PAUL V. DANIEL (*Agastisvaram*): Was this due to want of lands available for registration or for want of applications?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Agastisvaram is a taluk where there are very few *puduval* lands available for registry. That must have been the reason.

Accommodation in the Kottar Departmental Vernacular School.

268. MR. PAUL V. DANIEL (*Agastisvaram*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state the number of pupils now on the rolls in the Kottar Departmental Vernacular School?

(*b*) Are the Government aware that the accommodation available in that school is, at present, insufficient?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The strength of the Kottar Departmental Vernacular School on the 1st Chingam, 1099, was 898.

(*b*) Yes.

English High School Buildings at Nagercoil.

269. MR. PAUL V. DANIEL (*Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to issue instructions to the Public Works Department to expedite the construction of the new English High School buildings at Nagercoil?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The work is making steady progress.

Transfer of Officers from the Huzur Office to the Excise Department and vice versa.

270. MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Vaikam* cum *Ettumanur*): (*a*) With reference to the reply given by the Chief Secretary to Government to the motions brought forward by Messrs. T. Kumara Pillai and K. P. Raman Pillai in the Karkatakam session of the Legislative Council in 1098 that it would be the policy of the Government to maintain a free flow of hands from the General and Revenue Secretariat to the executive and from the executive to the Secretariat, and with reference again to the representations made in the same Council

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